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March 28, 1921.

To the Secretary of State: -

By the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Texas I hereby file with you Senate Bill No. 43, with my disapproval and veto.

The law now provides, in criminal cases, that the bond for appearance of the defendant permits the defendant to remain out of jail during the trial of the case and until the motion for a new trial has been overruled, which is usually some days and frequently some weeks after the verdict of guilty is rendered against the defendant. The purpose of this bill is to give the defendant thirty days after the motion for a new trial is overruled, before he is compelled to satisfy the punishment, in the nature of a fine, assessed against him. There is no occasion for such legislation, and it is but another method of making punishment easy for criminals after they have been convicted for violation of the law; therefore, this bill is disapproved and vetoed.

Yours sincerely,

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Governor.

Received in Department of State,
This 28 day of March 1921
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